

REQUEST FOR FILING A PATENT APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b)

Attorney Docket: 381NP/44849CO

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Box **PATENT APPLICATION**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This is a request for filing a X continuation or
divisional application under 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b), of pending prior
application:

Serial No. 09/199,456
Filed on November 25, 1998
Of Koji Shibata et al
Entitled: Fuel Injection Valve
Examiner: R. Evans
Group: 3752
Batch No: J49

- X 1. Accompanying this order is a true copy of the
prior application as originally filed.
Total pages 60, including 16 sheets of drawings,
Figures 1-19.
2. New Formal drawings are being filed herewith
consisting of sheet(s), depicting Figures
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- X 3. Declaration and Power of Attorney:
- a. Newly executed (original or copy)
- b. X Copy from prior application
- i. Deletion of Inventors - signed statement
attached deleting inventor(s) named in the
prior application
- X 4. Incorporation by Reference:
- The entire disclosure of the prior application,
from which a copy of the oath or declaration is
supplied under Box 3b, is considered as being
part of the disclosure of the accompanying
application and is hereby incorporated by
reference therein.
- X 5. Cancel original claims 2, 14, 15, 17.

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6. Small entity status:

- a. ☐ A small entity statement is enclosed
- b. ☐ A statement of small entity status (copy attached) was filed on _____ in the prior application and status as a small entity is still proper and desired.
- c. ☐ Is no longer claimed

X 7. The filing fee is calculated below:

CLAIMS AS FILED, INCLUDING ANY CLAIMS
CANCELLED OR ADDED BY PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Basic Fee		\$345		\$690
Total Claims	<u>13</u> - 20 = <u>0</u> x 9 =	\$	<u>18</u> =	\$
Ind. Claims	<u>10</u> - 3 = <u>7</u> x 39 =	\$	<u>78</u> =	\$ <u>546</u>
<u> </u> Multiple Dependent Claims	+ 130 =	\$	<u>260</u> =	\$
	Total	\$		\$1,236.00

 8. Please charge my Deposit Account No. 05-1323 (Docket # _____) in the amount of \$ _____.

X 9. A check in the amount of \$1,236 to cover the filing fee is enclosed.

X 10. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fee which may be required under 37 CFR 1.16 or 37 CFR 1.17 or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 05-1323 (Docket #381NP/44849CO).

X 11. Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence: - This application is a continuation of application Serial No. 09/199,456, filed November 25, 1998.--

X 12. Priority of Appln. No. 9-324450, filed in Japan on November 26, 1997, is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C. 119.

X 13. A certified copy of each said priority document was filed in application Serial No. 09/199,456 on November 25, 1998.

X 14. The prior application is assigned of record to Hitachi, Ltd., and Hitachi Car Engineering Co., Ltd.

X 15. The power of attorney in the prior application is to:

Herbert I. Cantor, Reg. No. 24,392; James F. McKeown, Reg. No. 25,406; Donald D. Evenson, Reg. No. 26,160; Joseph D. Evans, Reg. No. 26,269; Gary R. Edwards, Reg. No. 31,824; and Jeffrey D. Sanok, Reg. No. 32,169.

- ☒ a. The power appears in the original application papers in the prior application.
- ☐ b. Since the power does not appear in the original application papers, a copy of the power in the prior application is enclosed.
- ☐ c. Attached is a duplicate of a Supplemental Declaration which was filed in the prior application to overcome informalities.
- ☒ d. Address all future correspondence to:

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- ☒ 16. Forms PTO-892 and PTO-1449 listing prior art made of record in the prior application are attached. A copy of each of the listed references should be available in the prior application file.
- ☒ 17. A Preliminary Amendment is being filed herewith.
- ☒ 18. Return Receipt Postcard.
- ☐ 19. Other: _____

Respectfully submitted,

April 20, 2000



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